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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action of March 25, 2008, in which a three-month short statutory period for response was set to expire on June 25, 2008, with the present response being filed before the two-month due date of May 27, 2008 (May 25, 2008 be a Sunday and may 26, 2008 being a federal holiday) Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection to the herein contained remarks:

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper: